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The Honorable Kit Bond, United States Senate
The Honorable Jim Talent, United States Senate
The Honorable Roy Blunt, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives
The Honorable Jo Ann Emerson, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives
The Honorable Todd Akin, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives

Re: The U.S. – Peru Free Trade Agreement

Dear Senators Bond and Talent and Representatives Blunt, Emerson, and Akin:

We deeply appreciate your interest, concerns, and support regarding the proposed Free Trade Agreement with the Government of Peru. I wish to advise you The Doe Run Company supports the Free Trade Agreement recently negotiated between the United States and Peru. The approval of this agreement by the Congress would benefit commerce in the Western Hemisphere and work toward advancing the economic interests of all parties involved, including those United States companies doing business in Peru.

Our subsidiary Doe Run Peru has tax issues in Peru, which we are working in good faith with the Peruvian authorities and hope to resolve soon. In the meantime, Doe Run strongly supports the Peru Free Trade Agreement and urges timely and favorable action on the passing of this important trade agreement.

Thank you again.

Yours very truly,

A. Bruce Neil

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Cc: Honorable Bennett Harman, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative